

Treatment of Tuberculosis Infection (Latent) Patient Education Form

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This information is to educate you about the treatment, side effects, and risks of taking medication for latent tuberculosis infection. Treatment of TB infection with prescribed drugs will prevent TB disease from developing in most individuals. These medications should be taken according to your physician's prescription and instructions.

Medication	Possible Side Effects	Comments
Isoniazid (INH)	Dark urine, pale stools, fatigue, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, yellowing skin or eyes, rash, tingling or muscle twitching in hands or feet.	Call your doctor or nurse if you have any of these side effects. Due to the risk of liver damage, no not use alcohol. Do not take Tylenol (acetominophen) or any medication with Tylenol while on INH. You can take Ibuprofen, Aleve, or Advil. Avoid antacids (Maalox, Tums, Mylanta) within 2 hours of taking INH. Tell you doctor or nurse if you become pregnant while on INH.
Rifampin (RIF)	Orange-colored body fluids, flu-like symptoms, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, bleeding problems, fever, pale stools, rash, yellowing skin or eyes, fatigue, blood in urine, easy bruising.	Due to the risk of liver damage, no not use alcohol . There may be significant interactions with methadone, birth control meds, digitalis, coumarin derivatives, anticonvulsants, and many other drugs. RIF will color body fluids orange (sweat, tears, urine) and may permantely discolor contact lenses. Tell your doctor or nurse if you become pregnanat while on RIF.
Rifapentine (RPT)	Unexplained loss of appetite, nausia, vominting, dark urine, yellowing of skin or eyes, persistent numbness in hands or feet, weakness, fatigue, fever, abdominal tenderness, easy bruising or bleeding.	Call your doctor or nurse if you have any of these side effects. RPT can decrease blood levels of many drugs including birth controls medications, warfarin, sulfonureas, and methadone. Due to the risk of liver damage, do not use alcohol. Tell you doctor or nurse if you become pregnant or are thinking about becoming pregnant.

Call your doctor or nurse if you experience any of the side effects listed above or have any other questions.

I have read the statements on this form about the treatment of TB disease. I have had an opportunity to ask questions which were answered acceptably. I believe I understand the benefits and risks of taking these medications. I understand that if I do not complete therapy, I will be at a greater risk of developing infectious TB disease and will not be provided proof of treatment.

Other educational materials provided				
Patient name (print) Date of Birth				
Patient (or gaurdian) signature	Date			
PHN Signature	Date			